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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT

According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 10th-October, through Sunday, 17th-October there were 237 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3D2, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7O, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8Q, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0A, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PJ5, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, R1FJ, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZL9, ZP, ZS, ZS8

PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

4J6, AZERBAIJAN

jClub members of the "Russian Community of Azerbaijan" will activate their callsign, 4J6RO,

from Nagorno Karabakh between October 22 -25th. Activity will be on 40 and 20 meters, as well as 30/17/12 meters, using CW and SSB. Their QTH "Russkie Borisi" village, in the Geranboy district (AzeDA index - GR, QRA Locator LN30FL). Operators mentioned are: Boris/4K4K (Team/Club Leader), Alex/4J7WMF, Serge/4J5A and Igor/4K6OF. QSL via 4K4K. PLEASE NOTE: This is the only legal callsign permitted by Ministry of Communications of Azerbaijan for this territory. Any other prefixes, besides 4J and 4K, issued by other countries for Karabakh have to be strictly considered illegal.

5X, UGANDA

Rudi, DK7PE, will be active as 5X0CW from Kampala for one week starting October 27th through November 3rd. He plans to use his K2 radio and jumper beam (40-10m). Activity will be mainly CW. Staying in downtown Kampala, he expects some local QRM, but he will try some 160 and 80 meters. QSL via his home callsign.

5X, UGANDA

Alan, G3XAQ, will be active as 5X1XA from Kampala between November 14th and December 1st. Activity will be CW only on the HF bands using 100 watts and small beam. Alan plans to be in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (possibly 20m) entry. QSL via G3SWH.

8Q, MALDIVES

Jim, G3VDB, will once again be active as 8Q7EJ starting October 24th, for two weeks. This time he will be active from **Bandos Island (AS-013)**. However, operations are subject to hotel permission. Activity will be an "intermittent holiday" operation during the above period mostly on 20 meters CW, using an ICOM IC-7000 into ground plane or other vertical antenna (to be decided). QSL via his home callsign.

9M6, EAST MALAYSIA

\ Operators Mike/KM9D (ex-V63MY) and Jan/KF4TUG (V63TO) have been based in Sandakan for the past few months. Mike is currently active as 9M6/KM9D, and has been on 30/20/17/12 meters CW. THe length of their stay is unknown. QSL via OM2SA.

9Q5, DEM. REPUBLIC OF CONGO

Christian, CX2CC, is now active as 9Q5OAR from the City of Goma, near the Rwanda border and is there working for the United Nations for one year. He hopes to be active on CW (slow), SSB and the Digital modes. Activity this past week was on 15/12/10 meters SSB. He is using a TS430 transceiver into a Log Periodic or wire dipole. QSL via his home callsign CX2CC: Christian Cardarello, Avenida Italia 3319, CP11600 Montevideo, Uruguay, South America. QSLs will not be answered until his return in December 2011. Please, direct QSL send a SAE with 2 USDs or a new IRC.

AO8, CANARY ISLANDS (AF-004)

Operators Pekka/OH1RY/EA8AH, Juan/EA8CAC, Manuel/EA8ZS, Salvador/EA5DY, Toivo/ES2RR, Jaakko/OH1MA and possibly others will be active as AO8A during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via EA8AH.

BV100, TAIWAN

Members of the Republic of China (Taiwan) Centenary Foundation will be activating special event station BV100 between now and December 31st, 2011. Activity is to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Republic of China (Taiwan). Operations will be on all bands and modes. Complete details on a operating schedule and how to earn a BV100 award is available at:

http://www.bv100.tw/EN

QSL via BV2KI at: Bruce Yih, P.O.Box 84-609 Taipei, Taiwan 100

ADDED NOTE: Operators BM2AAV, BU2AT, BV2DD, BV2KI, BV2KS, BV2NT and BX9AAA will use BV100 during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st) as a Multi-Multi entry. Also, QSL via BV2KI.

CQ DX MARATHON (Update)

John, K9EL, DX Marathon Administrator, reports on October 16th:

> "As recently announced by CQ Magazine, Competitors in the 2010 CQ DX Marathon will have a unique 'double-dip' opportunity in working the islands of the Netherlands Antilles for Marathon points. Those who worked any of the islands before 10/10/10, get credit for either the Windward or Leeward Islands, as appropriate. Hams who work them again on or after 10/10/10 will get additional credit for the new entities, providing a maximum of six country credits for working the islands in 2010. Version 2010.2 of the DX Marathon scoresheet that incorporates the four new PJ countries is now available on the DX Marathon Web site at:
>
> **http://www.dxmarathon.com**
>
> Instructions to convert version to 2010.1 to the new 2010.2 are available on the Web site. However, participants can also send their existing scoresheet to **scores@dxmarathon.com** and we will convert it and send it back to you."

CY0, SABLE ISLAND (Update)

\ Randy, N0TG, reports:

> "We are ready to go; the team will convene in Halifax, Canada, on Tuesday, 19th Oct. Then, Wedneday will be a busy day with final preparations for the charter flight over to Sable on Thursday - 21st October. The goal is to be up and running around 2100 UTC or so on the 21st. The Web page has a few steps listed which will be statused as they are completed. Please check the Web for updates at:
>
> **http://www.CY0dxpedition.com**
>
> "

DXCC NEWS

Bill Moore, NC1L, Awards Branch Manager, reports: "This information is provided, in advance, to those who use the DXCC assigned country/entity codes for programming software:

Below are what will be the DXCC assigned country codes for the new entities once they are entered into the DXCC system:

517 Curacao
518 Sint Maarten
519 Saba and St. Eustatius

520 - Bonaire

Note, the country codes for what will be the deleted entities will not change, they will just be flagged as deleted entities.

Online, the only place where these codes are posted is in the text version of the DXCC list. Once we officially add the new entities to the DXCC software this list will then be updated to show the official changes to the DXCC list."

E51, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS

Just a reminder that Bill, N7OU, will once again be returning to **Rarotonga (OC-013)**, and will be active as E51NOU between October 18th and November 13th. Activity will be limited to his spare time because of his Global Volunteer work on the island.

http://www.globalvolunteers.org/cook/default.asp
http://www.globalvolunteers.org/1main/cook/volunteer_in_cook_islands.htm

Operations will be on 40-10 meters running 100 watts into a vertical.
QSL via N7OU.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS

Michael, DL6MHW, will be active as EA8/DL6MHW from the from **Tenerife Island (IOTA AF-004**, DIE S-012, WLOTA 1276, EAA TF) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st) as a Single-Op entry. QSL via LoTW.

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS

Mauri, OH2BYS, will once again be active as EA8CMX from Galdar, **Isla de Gran Canaria (AF-004**, DIE S-005, WLOTA L0969), during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st) and CQWW DX CW Contest (November 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (80m) entry. QSL via OH2BYS.

ER, MOLDOVA

Serge, UT5UDX, will once again be active as ER0WW. This time during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st) as Single-Op/All- Band/High-Power entry. QSL via RA4LW.

EY, TAJIKISTAN

Nodir, EY8MM, from Dushanbe, will be active during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 27-28th) as a Single-Op/Single-Band (160 or 80m) entry. QSL K1BV via direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

FSDXA ANNOUNCES THEIR PLANS FOR 2011 (Press Release #1)

Don Field, G3XTT, FSDXA Publicity Officer, sent out the following on October 10th: "The Five Star DXers Association (FSDXA) is pleased to announce its next DXpedition to Kiritimati (also known as Christmas Island, T32) to take place in September/October 2011. FSDXA, closely linked to CDXC (Chiltern DX Club), the UK DX Foundation, is the group which brought you the 1998 9M0C Spratly Islands DXpedition, the record-breaking 2001 D68C DXpedition to the Comoros and, subsequently, the 2004 3B9C Rodrigues and 2007 3B7C St.Brandon DXpeditions. Once again, Yaesu has kindly agreed to be Global Sponsor, and will be providing sixteen FT-5000 transceivers along with a similar number of Quadra VL-1000

linears. UK amateur radio retailers Martyn Lynch & Sons and Nevada are also committed to sponsoring the operation. It is hoped that the callsign T32C will be allocated. The 'C' in the callsign stands for 'CDXC', the club from which the Five Star DXers Associ- ation was formed and is also a reminder of the group's previous successful operations.

As with previous FSDXA expeditions, this will be a major effort, with a target of more than 150,000 QSOs. There will be up to sixteen stations on the air, using amplifiers along with monoband beams and vertical dipole arrays, 24 hours a day, for almost four weeks, including four weekends, around the autumn equinox when DX propagation on all bands is typically at its best.

Our primary objective is to activate Christmas Island T32 with a view to giving as many DXers as possible a first contact with this rare DXCC entity and, as a secondary objective, to give as many band-slots as possible. While many experienced DXers have one or two contacts with Christmas Island, our focus, in addition to, making Christmas Island available to less well-equipped DXers, especially in Europe and the US East Coast, both of which are tough paths from the mid-Pacific, will be to help fill those missing band and mode slots, especially on LF and on RTTY.

Club Log shows Kiritimati as 36th most wanted DXCC entity by European operators and 61st most wanted worldwide. It is even more sought after on the LF bands.

A large number of amateurs from 13 different DXCC entities have already signed up for T32C, some for half the overall period, some for the whole operation. There will be 30 operators on site at any one time. Operator numbers have been determined to ensure that a full complement of stations can be manned whenever bands are open. Many of these operators have been with us before. All bring experience not only of operating (usually multiple modes, often with a contesting background) but in terms of other essential skills. For example, we will have two medical specialists, antenna, RF and software specialists, and a range of other skills which will be essential in mounting a major operation so far from logistical support.

At the time of writing, the team is expected to consist of 40 operators including: Falk/DK7YY, Jens/DL7AKC, Paul/EI5DI, Dave/EI9FBB, Gerard/F2JD, Ian/F5VKT/G3YBY, Michel/FM5CD, Vincent/G0LMX, Tony/G0OPB, Nobby/G0VJG, Don/G3BJ, Neville/G3NUG, Chris/G3SVL, David/G3UNA, Gordon/G3USR, John/ G3WGV, Mike/G3WPH, Don/G3XTT, Mark/G4AXX, John/G4DRS, Nick/G4FAL, Mike/ G4IUF, Justin/G4TSH, Michael/G7VJR, Clive/GM3POI, Bob/GU4YOX, Kazu/JA1RJU, Jim/KF7E, Bob/MD0CCE, Bill/N2WB, Arnie/N6HC, Bob/N6OX, Ronald/PA3EWP, Pete/SM5GMZ, Maury/W3EF, Paul/WF5T and Jay/WX0B. It is also planned to take a young amateur, to gain valuable DXpedition experience, and sponsor- ship is already on hand to make this possible.

At this time we are seeking contributions from sponsors to help defray the very significant logistics costs of this DXpedition. For example, there is limited electricity on the island so generators will have to be shipped. Most equipment has to be shipped by container via Tarawa. The team will then fly out to Christmas via Honolulu. All team members will be covering their own travel costs and accommodation on the island, and making a contribution to other (mainly logistics) costs, but there will still be a significant shortfall.

Details of how to donate appear on our website (www.t32c.com) which is now live. PayPal

donations may be made directly via the site.....
All donations will be acknowledged.

The logos of all DX clubs etc which have helped to sponsor the DXpedition will be shown on the QSL card, as will the names and callsigns of those who make an individual contribution in advance of the DXpedition (subject, in each case, to a certain minimum amount).

This first Bulletin is intended mainly to alert you to our upcoming DXpedition. More information will be forthcoming in due course, and will be posted on our website (www.t32c.com) as it becomes available."

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN

Members of the Rhein Ruhr DX Association (RRDXA), from the Düsseldorf area, will once again be active as HB0/HB9AON, to celebrate their 27th DXpedition to Triesenberg, Liechtenstein, between October 27th and November 4th. Operators mentioned are: Diethelm/DJ2YE, Uli/DF7EF, Eike/DO2RE, Karl/DL6EAQ, Christian/DL6KAC, Rolf/DL8DAW, Heinz-Willi/DL8EAQ, Wilhelm/DG3EX, Tom/HB9DOD and Silvio/HB9LCW. Their activity will include the CQ WW SSB DX Contest (October 30-31st) as a Multi-Multi entry with 6 stations. Antennas will include dipoles at a height of 25m for the lowbands and monoband beams for 40m and up. QSLs go via DJ2YE, either direct or by the Bureau. Their target is to hit "7000 QSOs" and a score of 10 million points.

HC2/HD2, ECUADOR

Members of the SK6M Contest Team will be active as HD2M from Nobol during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 27-28th) as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via SM6FKF. Operators mentioned are Allan/HC2A, Alfredo/HC2SL, Rune/SM5COP, Fredy/SM6FKF, Ben/SM6LJU, Peter/SM6MCW and Mats/SM7BUA. Look for the SM operators to be active as HC2/homecall before the contest. QSL via their home callsigns.

IOTA NEWS

AS-018. Look for RC0F to be active from **Sakhalin Island** during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st) as a Single-Op/All- Band entry. QSL via RC0F, direct, by the Bureau or LoTW.

AS-081. Look for Ho-jong/DS5ACV and members of the Busan DX Club (6M0V) to activate **Suu-do Island**, South Korea, as 6M0V/5 between October 23-24th. QSL via 6M0V, by the Bureau or direct.

AS-133. Operators Wim/XU7KOH, Jack/XU7AJV, Wim/XU7ADV and Peter/XU7ACY/NO2R will activate **Russei Koh Island**, Cambodia, between November 6-9th. Callsign to be used is XU7KOH. Activity will be on the HF bands. QSL via ON7PP.

EU-155. Members of the Modena DX Italia Team will be active as II4PI from **Piallazza Island** (IIA FE-001, MIA MI-104, WW Loc. JN64ES), near the Gorino lighthouse between October 21-24th. Operators mentioned are Alessandro/IK4ALM, Augusto/IK4RQJ, Luca/IK3AES, Roberto/IK4XCL, Alessandro/IZ4AMS and Sergio/IZ4BBF. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using all modes. QSL via IK4ALM, direct or by the Bureau.

NA-151. German operators Gabi/DF9TM, Frank/DL2SWW, Heiko/DL1RTL and Ric/DL2VFR will be active as OX/homecall from **Tasiilaq Island** between October 20-30th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, as far as propagation allows, using CW, SSB and RTTY. The team is very happy/pleased that the German DX Foundation (GDXF), the Nippon DX Association (NDXA) and some individuals, such as JA1BPA, are sponsors of their expedition. For more details visit their Web page at:

http://www.na-151.de

SA-099. NEW IOTA GROUP! Roger, G3KMA, announced (edited): "Following today's (October 13th) ARRL announcement of four new DXCC entities in the former Netherlands Antilles, we can now announce IOTA's position. Curacao will, in accordance with IOTA rule E.5.5 (Island DXCC entity group), become a new IOTA group with the reference number SA-099, operative from 0400 UTC, 10 October 2010. Contacts made prior to that time/date will continue to count for SA-006. Bonaire remains as a valid island within SA-006, so its IOTA status will not change. There will also be no IOTA group number change to Sint Maarten NA-105 or Saba and Sint Eustatius NA-145, islands split from each other long ago in accordance with IOTA rules.

IR9, ITALY

Members of the ARIPA DX Team will be active as IR9Y from Sicily during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st) as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via IT9ABY.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS

Operators Mike/JA6EGL (KK6WW/KH0), Yu/JE6DND (KH0R), Take/JA6JXN (AC2BO/KH0), Nori/JA6GLD (WH0AA) and Mune/JR6DRH (KR1V/KH0) will be active from **Saipan Island (OC-086**, USI NI002S, WLOTA 1333) between October 21-25th. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL direct to their home callsigns.

KH6BZF PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (For October 11-17th)

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Oct   18    AN          SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS
Oct   19    AN          --------------------
Oct   20    AN-HN       BN - Below Normal
Oct   21    HN          AN - Above Normal/Geomagnetic Level is QUIET
Oct   22    HN          LN - Low Normal
Oct   23    AN          HN - High Normal/Geomagnetic Level is UNSETTLED
Oct   24    AN-HN       DIS  - Disturbed
                        VDIS - Very Disturbed


  GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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  QUIET - The "A" index is expected to be between
          0-7 and the "K" index will be 2 or less
  UNSETTLED - The "A" index is expected to be between
          7-16 and "K" index will be 3 or less
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PACIFIC DXERS TAKE NOTE!

Are you planning a DXpedition to the Pacific in the future? Then you may want to take a look

at the the "Pacific DXers" Web page and become a member. Eddie, VK4AN/3D2A, Pacific DXers Manager, informs OPDX that the "Pacific DXers" Web page and membership has started to really grow. The Web page is at:

http://pacific-dxers.com

When joining "Pacific DXers", you will receive many benefits. Eddie mentions, "We already have a well stocked 'Dxpedition Kit' available for members to use. Consisting of a 5-band Spiderbeam, DX-88 Vertical, Rotator, 10m Mast, coax, wire, SMPSU, and other items...it is currently in Fiji. It will be made available to members on a 'booking' basis for DXpeditions in the South Pacific area from 2011 onwards. So far, we have negotiated a big reduction in price for members at a ham-friendly resort in Fiji for members staying at least a week... and are continuing negotiations with other resorts around the Pacific." So, if interested take a look!

PJ ACTIVITY LIST (UPDATED)

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PJ2A        - Curacao Island; DXCC Code 517; IOTA SA-099; length
              of activity unsure; QSL via N5UCF. No online logs.

PJ2T        - Curacao Island; DXCC Code 517; IOTA SA-099; October
              10th-November 2nd; QSL via N9AG or LoTW. No online
              logs.

PJ2/OH1VR   - Curacao Island; DXCC Code 517; IOTA SA-099; Now QRT;
              QSL via his home callsign. No online logs.

PJ2/W5MPC   - Curacao Island; DXCC Code 517; IOTA SA-099; Now QRT;
              QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.
              No online logs.

PJ4B        - Bonaire Island; DXCC Code 520; IOTA SA-006; through
              October 22nd; QSL via PA8A. As of 10/17/10 (0121z):
              Total 8084 QSOs; Unique callsigns 5320.Online log
              at:       http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=pj4b

PJ4D        - Bonaire Island; DXCC Code 520; IOTA SA-006; through
              October 22nd; QSL via W3HNK. As of 10/17/10 (1200z):
              Total +33,000 QSOs. Online log at:
                       http://www.bonaire2010.com

PJ4I        - Bonaire Island; DXCC Code 520; IOTA SA-006; through
              October 22nd;  QSL via DL9USA. No online logs.

PJ4N        - Bonaire Island; DXCC Code 520; IOTA SA-006; through
              October 22nd; QSL via DJ8NK (not W3HNK). No online logs.

PJ4NX       - Bonaire Island; DXCC Code 520; IOTA SA-006; resident
              on the island; QSL direct to address on QRZ.com or by
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the Bureau via PA3CNX. No online logs.

PJ4W - Bonaire Island; DXCC Code 520; IOTA SA-006; through October 22nd; QSL via W3HNK. No online logs.

PJ4/PG4M - Bonaire Island; DXCC Code 520; IOTA SA-006; Now QRT; QSL direct to home callsign. No online logs.

PJ4/W9NJY - Bonaire Island; DXCC Code 520; IOTA SA-006; through October 29th; QSL via W9NJY or LoTW after the January 1st (2011).

PJ5/K1XM - St. Eustatius; DXCC Code 519; IOTA NA-145; now through October 17th; QSL via KQ1F. No online logs.

PJ5/AH6HY - (not PJ5/AH6DX) St. Eustatius; DXCC Code 519; IOTA NA-145; Now QRT; QSL via AH6DX, direct or by the Bureau. No online logs.

PJ5/AA4NC - St. Eustatius; DXCC Code 519; IOTA NA-145; Now QRT; QSL via AA4NC direct only. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. NO BUREAU QSLs. No online logs.

PJ6A - Saba Island; DXCC Code 519; IOTA NA-145; now through October 22nd; QSL direct only to N4NX, or use the online OQRS system for direct and Bureau QSLing. As of 10/16/10 (2224z): Total of 30488 QSOs Online log at: http://www.saba2010.com

PJ6/K4LMY - Saba Island; DXCC Code 519; IOTA NA-145; Now QRT; QSL via K4LMY. No online logs.

PJ7E - Sint Maarten; DXCC Code 518; IOTA NA-105; now through October 20th; QSL via LoTW, OQSL (see Web page) or direct to: Sint Maarten 2010, Box 333, Bethlehem, Georgia 30620-9989 USA. As of 10/17/10 (0024z): Total of 50620 QSOs. Online log at: http://www.stmaarten2010.com/log.html

PJ7MF - Sint Maarten; DXCC Code 518; IOTA NA-105; resident on the island; QSL via IZ1MHY, ONLY DIRECT. Online log at: http://www.iz1mhy.tk

PJ7/AA4NC - Sint Maarten; DXCC Code 518; IOTA NA-105; No QSNs were reported; Activity was expected to be between October 15-18th; QSL via AA4NC, direct only. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. NO BUREAU QSLs. No online logs.

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PJ7/AH6HY  - Sint Maarten; DXCC Code 518; IOTA NA-105; No QSNs were
             reported; Activity was expected to be between October
             15-22nd; QSL via AH6DX, direct or by the Bureau. No
             online logs.
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PJ4, BONAIRE

Peter, PJ4NX, is a resident on Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA L1279) and is currently taken in the fun of activating a new DXCC entity. He has been on 40/20/17/12 meters SSB. QSL via the address on **(QRZ.com)**.

PW2, BRAZIL

Operators from Mogi, Sao Paulo, will be active as PW2D during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st) as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via PY2VM. Operators mentioned are: Andre/PY2MTV, Fabio/ PY2BK and Tom/PY2ZXU.

QSL INFO AND NEWS

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QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (dated October 17th)
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3G200PCG via CE3PCG      JW/HB9LEY via JQ2GYU   ST26ASC via ST2M (direct)
3Z0DKI via SP2DKI        JW/JQ2GYU via JQ2GYU   SU8JOTA via SM5AQD
5R8RJ via DJ7RJ          KP2/N1WON via N1WON    SZ6P via SV1BJW
9H9MSG via 9H1SF         LX/DL6WT via DL6WT     T88DL via DL2OBO
A60JOTA via A62ER        NP3X via K2DER         TA2/DL2AGB via DL2AGB
DA0CA via DC2YY          NQ2A via K2DER         TC03W via OK2GZ
DL20Y2DM via DL1BFU      OL5DIG via OK1AR       TO3GA via DL3GA
DT8A via HL2FDW          ON4JOTA via ON4GDV     TY1JB via DL2UX
EM8NFF/P via UT7NW       P40L via WA3FRP        V55JAM via V51Q
FH8ND via F1OKV          PA100WELP via PC2S     V85/OE3GEA via OE3GEA
GP0STH via G4DIY         PA80WL via PE1SCV      XX9TLX via DK7LX
HG100IHA via HA6IHA      PC75HV via PA0FAW      YB8EL via EA7FTR
HG8C via HA8EK           PJ2/PB2T via PB2T      YR150UAIC via YO-Bureau
HL4/UA4WHX via UA4WHX    PJ2T via N9AG          YU0NS via YU7BPQ
HP1/IZ6BRN via IZ8CLM    PJ4D via W3HNK
HZ1SBS via HZ1HN         PJ4I via DL9USA
IR0JOTA via IW0FFP       PJ7MF via IZ1MHY
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LOTW HITS 300 MILLION The ARRL Letter announced this week that with the submission by Victor Morozov, RD3PQ, on October 5th, the ARRL's "Logbook of The World (LoTW)" hit 300 million QSOs! They also mentioned that January 2011 marks the 10 year anniversary of the ARRL's announcement of the LoTW system.

NEW QSL MANAGER. Jerry, N5UCF, reports: "Effective immediately I will be serving as QSL manager for **PJ2A**. I will have logs for all PJ2A contacts and will be answering direct and bureau requests. Please send direct requests to my QRZ.com address with SASE or SAE + new IRC or minimum of 1 USD for a direct return. QSL cards are ordered and in queue to be printed so please be patient for a return QSL over the next several months or so. Please pass this to any other QSL route sources you may be aware of not copied on this E-mail."

QSLS VIA LoTW: DL3TD, EA3GHZ, K5K and LU1ICX

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 7P8JK, 9X0TL, AT60MY, H40FN, JA7BXS, K4C, S79BWW, V31SJ, V31YY and XT2EME

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 8P0P, AO8HQ, C57C, CG3AT, D44TXS, EA7TG, F6GCP, HI3/N3SY, HG0HQ, JD1BIE, KH6/NU1AW, KL7/W1AW, OK1DOL, OP4K, PQ2Q, S40R, S58MU, SE2T, UX1UA, V31WA, V51AS/L, VP9400HW, YL/RZ3BY and ZP6CW

RADIO ARCALA AND THE 2010 CQWW SSB CONTEST (Press Release)

Jarmo, OH2BN, sent on the following on October 17th:

> "This year Radio Arcala set the target to become internationally focused and extended their ranks to the United States, Japan and Continental Europe, both in their overall expertise and their radio operating resources. Kazu, JK3GAD, has done a superb job of taking many Arcala messages to his homeland. Now it is time to set sail to the United States and introduce another U.S. sound from the Radio Arcala station network.
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> **OH8X** from Northern Finland will be activated by Marko, OH4JFN, in SOAB, hoping for improved propagation from the Far North.
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> **OH0B** from Aland Islands will be operated by Toni, OH2UA, current EU CQWW SSB and CW record holder, also in SOAB. They will run against each other to gain a Northern European victory and an initial set of qualification points for WRTC 2014.
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> **CR2X** from the Azores with Jeff, N5TJ, at the helm will add a new element to the European racing scene. He comes with a formidable WRTC background and with current CQWW World Records for SSB and CW under his belt. As this is the first time Jeff enters the European scene in CQWW, the outcome promises to be interesting, to say the least.
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> **5R8X** from Madagascar will see the majority of Arcalians - OH2BH, OH2PM, OH6KN, OH7EA and OH8NC - traveling to this island nation in the Indian Ocean not only to provide a dual-multiplier but to do a variety of things at once. In CQWW they will be multi-op, single-TX while also making sure, with their awesome lineup of LF antennas, to provide a 5R8 on the low bands for those in need. Their low-band activity will last for two weeks, including CQWW, plus the following weekend, with two stations expected to be on at prime hours.
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> QSL to OH8X via OH2UA, others via OH2BH."

S7, SEYCHELLES

Davide, IW0HLG, will be active as S79AD from **Mahe Island (AF-024)** between October 26th and November 4th. Activity will be holiday style on the on HF bands and 6 meters using SSB and the Digital modes. QSL via his home callsign, direct or by the Bureau.

T31, CENTRAL KIRBATI ISLANDS

An international team is planning to activate **Kanton Island (OC-043)** for 9 days starting April

2011. An additional day may be added depending on the sailing time to the island. Transportation has been arranged, all licenses are assigned and the permit is in its final stages. Callsign will be T31A. They plan to have 6 stations operational with 12 operators and activity on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. A Web page is under construction at:

http://T31A.com

More details are forthcoming. Watch the Web page for future updates.
ADDED NOTE: There are a few available spots/berths on the boat. For those interested in joining the team, please contact Jay, W2IJ, for more details at: **kanton@T31A.com**

T8, PALAU

Tom, DL2OBO, continues his long travels on his honeymoon, and is now expected to be active as T88DL from "Palau Pacific Resort" between October 23rd and November 1st. QSL via his home callsign. Visit his Web page at:

http://www.dl2obo.de/pages/japanpalau/japanpalau.html

TF, ICELAND

Siggi, TF3CW, has announced that he will be active in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st) as Single-Op/Single-Band (20m) entry. QSL via LX1NO.

TO3, MARTINIQUE

Andreas, DL3GA, is now active as TO3GA from Ducos on the Island of **Martinique (IOTA NA-107**, DIFO FM-001, WLOTA 1041, DDFM 97) until October 20th. Activity has been on 80-15 meters using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via his home callsign.

V7, MARSHALL ISLANDS (IOTA Op Postponed!)

The V73RRC QSL Manager Richard, N7RO, reports that the expedition to **Ujelang Atoll (OC-278)** by Yuri, N3QQ, has been postponed. It is possible a new effort will be made at the end of November/beginning December. For updates and more info, see:

http://oc-278.ucoz.com

VP2M, MONTSERRAT

Operators Larry/K3VX (VP2MVX), Will/K9FO (VP2MFO), Don/K9NR (VP2MNR), Carl/K9CS (VP2MSC) and Bill/K9OWQ (VP2MWP) will be active from here between November 22nd and December 6th. Activity will include entries in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 27-28th) and ARRL 160 Contests (December 3-5th) as a Multi-2 class signing VP2M. Activity outside the contests will be on 160-10 meters, mostly CW but some SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL all callsigns via K9CS.

VP5, TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS (Caribbean Tour)

Cory, N1WON, now active as KP2/N1WON from the **U.S. Virgin Island (NA-106)** until October 19th, will be active as VP5/N1WON from the **Turks and Caicos Islands (NA-002)** between October 21st and November 3rd. He will be there to be part of the VP5DX team for the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 30-31st). QSL VP5DX via NU4Y. The VP5DX contest logs will be uploaded to the LoTW. Also, QSL VP5/N1WON and KP2/N1WON via his home callsign. Cory's logs will also be uploaded to LoTW at a later date. He states, "I have plenty of

nice QSL cards that I would like to send to the folks I've worked."

VK9N, NORFOLK ISLAND (Update/Change)

After their operation from ZK2A (see ZK2 listed below), operators Andrea/IK1PMR, YL Claudia/PA3LEO, Al/LA9SN, Doug/N6TQS and possibly others will be active from here between December 5-19th. Plans of activity should/probably be the same as their operation from ZK2A. QSL via PA3LEO.

XX9, MACAO

Georg, DK7LX, is now active as XX9TLX until October 26th. His main focus on this trip will be 30/17/12 meters as well as CW, and possibly RTTY toward the end of his activity. Most of this activity so far has been on 30 and 12 meters. He mentions that 80 meters is very unlikely due to environmental issues. QSL via his home callsign.

ZK2, NIUE (Update/Change)

Look for 5 operators to be active as ZK2A between November 20th and December 3rd. Operators mentioned are: Andrea/ IK1PMR, YL Claudia/PA3LEO, Al/LA9SN, Doug/N6TQS, Alan/K6SRZ, and possibly Tom/SP5UAF. Activity will be focused on Europe, 160-40 meters, 30/17/12 meters, CW and RTTY using four Elecraft with solid state amps with RX antennas. This is a lightweight DXpedition. They will try to limit their extra baggage expenses. To achieve this (and for efficiency and reliability too) they will mainly use wire antennas. QSL via PA3LEO. A Web site is now available at:

http://www.pacificdxpedition.com/index.php?s=intro

ADDED NOTE: Operators of this operation will go on to operate from Norfolk Island; see VK9N listed above.

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